

February 1, 2013

**DIVISION MEMORANDUM**

No. 64, s. 2013

**YOUNG MINDS ACADEMY (YMA) SEASON 7**

TO : OIC, Assistant Superintendents  
Education Supervisors/Coordinators  
District Supervisors/OICs  
Elementary and Secondary School Heads

1. Attached is a copy of Regional Memorandum No. 52, s. 2013, dated January 25, 2013, announcing Young Minds Academy (YMA) Season 7, for the guidance and information of all concerned.
2. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

**ARDEN D. MONISIT, Ed. D.**  
Schools Division Superintendent

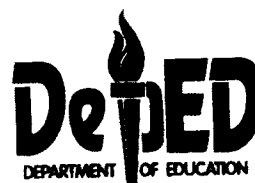
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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. 52 s. 2013


**YOUNG MINDS ACADEMY (YMA) SEASON 7**

To: Schools Division Superintendents  
Officers-in-Charge of Regular and Interim Divisions

1. Enclosed is a letter from Evelyn Nacario-Castro, Executive Director, Ramon Aboitiz Foundation Incorporated (RAFI)-Eduardo Aboitiz Development Studies Center (EADSC), inviting young people in Cebu aged 12-20 years old to join Young Minds Academy Season 7. Attached are the requirements for application.

2. For more information, interested parties are advised to contact Tel. No. 4187234 loc 110, or through email at [mel.van@rafi.org.ph](mailto:mel.van@rafi.org.ph).

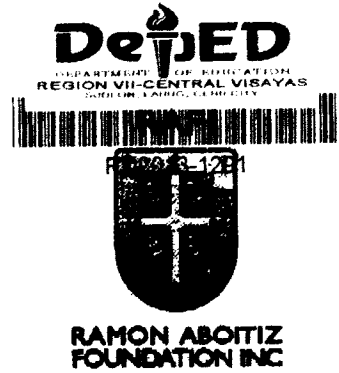
3. For your information and wide dissemination.

  
CARMELITA T. DULANGON  
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January 21, 2013

**Dr. Carmelita Dulangon**  
Regional Director  
Department of Education – Region 7

Dear Dr. Dulangon:

Believing that better lives begin with a community that is ready to effect change, the Ramon Aboitiz Foundation Inc. (RAFI) - Eduardo Aboitiz Development Studies Center (EADSC) nurtures future leaders and influencers through the Young Minds Academy (YMA). Now in its seventh season, YMA has continued its work of developing young emerging leaders aged 12-20 years old to become responsible citizens and accountable leaders ready to serve the public and its interests. This is done through various learning sessions, community exposures, and project development anchored on an annual theme.

The YMA scholars' outputs, insights and realizations indicated how they were inspired to become agents of change – elevating the lives of others. According to one of them:

*"Without a doubt, YMA has taught me so much about life, and much of those lessons I will not probably learn in school. Through my valuable experiences, I was able to meaningfully build a strong foundation where the interest of others above all else finds priority, and where our fellowmen become the beneficiaries of our sincere and generous effort. It is through YMA that I was able to see a portrait of the true meaning of serving the community."* - Sharlou Beltran, 18, Gen A – Team Vancouver

In this connection, we invite young people in Cebu to join YMA Season 7. We will be accepting applications until February 25, 2013. Attached are the requirements for application.

We are also requesting if you could please help us disseminate the information about YMA as broadly as possible. A formal endorsement from your office would surely provide additional value to our invitation.

Should you wish to discuss this program further, we would be glad to meet with you at your most convenient time. We may be reached at 418-7234 loc 110, or through email at [mel.van@rafi.org.ph](mailto:mel.van@rafi.org.ph).

We look forward to your continued support in this collective endeavor of building our successor generation. Thank you very much.

Very truly yours,

  
**EVELYN NACARIO – CASTRO**  
Executive Director  
RAFI – Eduardo Aboitiz Development Studies Center

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FOUNDATION INC**

## YOUNG MINDS ACADEMY SEASON 7

### How to Join?

#### A. Form a team of five (5) members under one of the following categories:

- Generation A : 17-20 years old
- Generation B : 12-16 years old

#### B. Accomplish the following:

##### Team requirements

1. Completed team application form (YMA Application Form 01)
2. Letter of recommendation and support from any of the following: school, barangay, office/organization, church, or whatever group the team is representing indicating their willingness and commitment to monitor the team and ensure that they abide by the rules and comply with the requirements of YMA.
3. A Team Accountability Partner who shall serve as a team partner, ensuring and monitoring the team's compliance in YMA requirements.

##### Individual Requirements

1. Completed individual application form (YMA Application Form 02)
2. Completed medical review and release of liability form (YMA Application Form 03)
3. Certified true copy of birth certificate
4. An essay on "What citizenship means to me" in no more than 300 words (Arial, 11, double spaced, short bond paper)
5. A fee of Php 500\* to be paid on the following installments:
  - Php 300 upon taking the qualifying exams (first screening)
  - Php 200 upon covenant signing (final admission to the Academy)
 (*Actual cost of the program is around Php30,000 per scholar. RAFI will shoulder Php25,000, and will be looking for sponsors who will shoulder Php4,500 per scholar.*)

#### C. Submit completed application forms and requirements to RAFI for short listing and screening. You may mail or submit in person at the following address:

The Executive Director  
Eduardo Aboitiz Development Studies Center  
Ramon Aboitiz Foundation, Inc.  
35 Lopez Jaena St. Cebu City 6000

Deadline for application is on **February 25, 2013.**

Get your application forms from the Eduardo Aboitiz Development Studies Center, 35 Lopez Jaena St., Cebu City or download them at [www.rafi.org.ph/leadership-citizenship/young-minds-academy](http://www.rafi.org.ph/leadership-citizenship/young-minds-academy).

For your queries, please feel free to contact us through Mel Yan at 418-7234 loc 110 or email [mel.yan@rafi.org.ph](mailto:mel.yan@rafi.org.ph).

**Be a YMA Scholar now!**

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